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THE PRESIDENT: And Mr. Horwitz appears for the prosecution?

MR. HORWITZ: Yes, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any objection to the application?

MR. HORWITZ: No objection at all.

THE PRESIDENT: I do not know what action can be taken in view of the sentence of death.

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MAJOR BLAKENEY: That is why I suggest the forthwith subpoena.

THE PRESIDENT: Make the order, as prayed.

(Whereupon, at 1313, the hearing was concluded.
